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RE: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/932,441
Filed: August 17, 2001
Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING INVENTORY

OUR REFERENCE: EXIN-1-17646

YOUR REFERENCE: Confirmation No. 3493

FROM: Mauricio A. Uribe, Esq.

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MESSAGE: Please file the attached **Official Response After Final and Request for Reconsideration** in regard to the above-referenced patent application. Thank you.

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 3600**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: R.A. Vaughan et al. Attorney Docket No. EXIN117646
 Application No.: 09/932,441 Group Art Unit: 3621
 Filed: August 17, 2001 Examiner: F. Backer
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE
AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Seattle, Washington 98101

February 28, 2005

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Response Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is a response in the above-identified application. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate		Additional Fee
Total Claims	163	Minus	163	=	0	x	50	=	0.00
Independent Claims	5	Minus	5	=	0	x	200	=	0.00
Total Additional Fee for this Amendment									\$0.00

B. Petition for Extension of Time

Applicants respectfully request that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated September 29, 2004, set to expire on December 29, 2004, be

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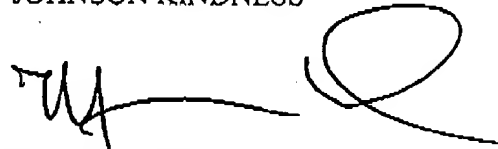
extended by two months, to expire on February 28, 2005. The 2-month extension fee totals \$450.00.

C. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the two month extension fee in the total amount of \$450 and any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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